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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION Importer of Controlled Substances Notice of Registration Chattem Chemicals, Inc.

By Notice dated June 28, 2012, and published in the Federal Register on July 6, 2012, 77 FR 40086, Chattem Chemicals, Inc., 3801 St. Elmo Avenue, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37409, made application by renewal to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to be registered as an importer of the following basic classes of controlled substances:

Drug	Schedule
Methamphetamine (1105)	II
4-Anilino-N-phenethyl-4-piperidine	
(8333)	II
Phenylacetone (8501)	II
Opium, raw (9600)	II
Poppy Straw Concentrate (9670)	II
Tapentadol (9780)	II

The company plans to import the listed controlled substances to manufacture bulk controlled substances for sale to its customers.

The company plans to import an intermediate form of Tapentadol (9780), to bulk manufacture Tapentadol for distribution to its customers.

Comments and requests for hearing on applications to import narcotic raw material are not appropriate,  $72\ FR$  3417(2007).

Regarding all other basic classes of controlled substances, no comments or objections have been received. DEA has considered the factors in 21 USC § 823(a) and § 952(a), and determined that the registration of Chattem Chemicals, Inc., to import the basic classes of controlled substances is consistent with the public interest, and with United States obligations under international treaties, conventions, or protocols in effect on May 1, 1971. DEA has investigated Chattem Chemicals, Inc., to ensure that the company's registration is consistent with the public interest. The investigation has included inspection and testing of the company's physical security systems, verification of the company's compliance with state and

local laws, and a review of the company's background and history.

Therefore, pursuant to 21 USC  $\S$  952(a) and  $\S$  958(a), and in accordance with 21 CFR  $\S$  1301.34, the above named company is

granted registration as an importer of the basic classes of controlled substances listed.

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